

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A method and system to allow user generation of a private-public key pair and an associated user generated certificate to establish the identity of a user based upon signing the user generated certificate with a private key of a private-public key pair associated with a certificate issued by a Certification Authority (CA). The user generated certificate thereby allows the user that generated the certificate to establish a secure session with a third party without multiple use of the certificate issued by the CA, typically for use on another network infrastructure. The method and system are particularly useful for establishing a secure session, such as a Secure Socket Layer session using a personal computer, where the CA certificate is associated with a wireless identity module of a wireless device.

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